

## KENTUCKY STATE BOARD OF HAIRDRESSERS AND COSMETOLOGISTS

**To:** Kentucky Licensed Cosmetology Schools

From: Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologists (KBHC)

**Date:** 9/22/2017

**Re:** Preliminary Review of Felony Convictions for Cosmetology Schools

Effective October 1, 2017, the KBHC will no longer review felony convictions of students upon enrollment in a licensed cosmetology school. Previously, the KBHC conducted a preliminary review of felony convictions before issuing student permits to persons enrolling in cosmetology school. The KBHC then reviewed that information to determine whether to allow the student to sit for the board examination upon graduation.

Applicants must continue to disclose all felony convictions on the Apprentice Cosmetologist / Cosmetologist Application for Examination Forms when applying to sit for the board examination. However, the information will not be required for student permits.

To receive an apprentice cosmetologist license, KRS 317A.050 requires an applicant to graduate from a licensed school of cosmetology and pass the KBHC's board examination. KRS 317A.140 and 317B.045 permit the KBHC to refuse to issue a license based upon an applicant's felony conviction, if in accordance with KRS Chapter 335B. All cosmetology students, cosmetology school staff, and persons considering a career in cosmetology should review KRS Chapter 317A and 317B and 201 KAR Chapter 12 for licensure requirements.

Questions pertaining to this notice should be directed to the KBHC Board Administrator at (502) 564-4262.

Sincerely,

Julie M. Campbell Administrator

Kentucky Board of Hairdressers and Cosmetologist